# Sixty-Second Annual Report

of the

# Worcester Children's Friend Society

1909-1910





# SIXTY-SECOND ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

# WORCESTER CHILDREN'S FRIEND SOCIETY

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# REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS.

URING the past year, the Society has made two important changes. The constitution has been revised to meet the new conditions, and the property on Main Street has been sold. The new constitution, which provides for an increased number of committees, gives to a greater number of directors the opportunity to assume more definite responsibilities, and increases the working efficiency of the Board.



THREE CHILDREN WHOSE MOTHER IS DEAD.

The sale of the old Home brings back many reflections of the life of the children there, and of those who made their comfort and pleasure possible. Officers and managers alike took personal interest in each child; with what satisfaction only those who have the opportunity to help needy children, can appreciate. Mrs. White, the matron, came to the Home with the desire to help orphan children, in memory of her own little child. She loved and watched over them until the Home was broken up. We hear



THE COUNTRY HOME OF THE THREE CHILDREN WHOSE MOTHER IS DEAD.

from young women who have nothing but pleasant memories of their life there, and from young men who tell us they like to recall the thrill when a ball just missed the window in the church next door, in the anxious watching through the hole in the old fence when Mrs. Brown came out to see why her cat made such a hurried entrance into the kitchen.

And now as far as the institutional life is concerned we have burned our bridges behind us. But in the broader and more extended work, Miss Woods not only cares for the

children, but is also a friend to those parents who, hopeless and discouraged, have no one to whom they may turn. This is the greater work we ask you to help us to sustain by a continuance of your generous aid.

Many physicians and dentists as usual have given their services, and the hospitals have been more frequently called upon for the relief of the children.

Mrs. Charles F. Morgan sent thirty beautiful Christmas gifts, and St. Mark's Sunday School also sent Christmas gifts. The Worcester Consolidated Street Railway Co. has again sent passes.

The Employment Society has done more sewing for us this year than ever before, which greatly lessens the clothing bill.

To all our generous contributors we return our grateful. thanks.

Respectfully submitted,

ABIGAIL BLAKE BARTON,

Secretary.

# OBJECT AND METHOD.

The object, briefly stated, is to care for needy children. The work can be summed up under two heads: the Bureau of Information and Counsel and the Placing-out Department.

The Bureau of Information and Counsel receives all applications made to it, thoroughly investigates the situation and seeks to remove the cause of distress. It may give advice or refer to some other society or to the Placing-out Department; supervises in its own home or obtains work for the mother with her child.

The Placing-out Department removes the child from its home and places it preferably in the country to board, or free, and supervises it. An effort is made to re-establish the home as soon as possible.

Careful records are kept of every application, and the children are supervised for a longer or shorter time after they return to their homes.

The responsibility is brought back upon the parents and relatives as much as possible. Adoption is only sought when the home cannot be re-established.

# REPORT OF GENERAL SECRETARY.

# Bureau of Information.

Aim

The work of the Society has been about equivalent to that of last year, both in number of new applications and expense. Two hundred and seventy-four children have come to us for aid, which represents one hundred and fifty-four applications. Difficulties have been brought to us by worried and overburdened parents who needed our counsel and sympathy as much as their children needed our help. In each instance every resource available was resorted to, in order to keep the child in its own home and cared for by its own parents.

Advised The word "advised" in our statistics means much more than may at first appear. Some of the best work of the Society is summed up in that word. The straightening out of a tangle; the keeping of a steady hand on a difficulty; the strengthening of their courage, so they can work out their own salvation and still keep their children with them, require tact, an understanding of human nature and a knowledge of the resources of the city. The value of this branch of our work cannot be estimated. Sad blunders of separating the family unnecessarily, even for a short period, are no longer tolerated in social work.

Our attention was called to a family, where the mother was in the last stages of consumption and wholly unable to care for her six children, the youngest being about one year old. The father had been away from home several weeks on a debauch; no food and little clothing was the condition found. Food was obtained until we could place the children with the State Minor Ward Department.

as there were no relatives who could help. The mother, who was under the care of the Worcester Society for District Nursing, soon died. An attempt has been made to have the father contribute toward the support of the children while they are with the State.

Guardianship visable to assume the guardianship of several children, which represents another phase of our "Counsel"



A FARM HOME WHERE THREE CHILDREN ARE BOARDED.

work. We have also supervised some children in their own homes.

Co-operation Not only do the various societies of the city most willingly co-operate with us, but a spirit of helpfulness exists among all the societies of Massachusetts. They greatly help us in interviewing relatives who live in other cities. As is seen by our statistics, often the whole

difficulty is better handled by some society out of the city.

Registration In order that the work of the city may not be duplicated a central registration of applications is kept at the Associated Charities.

### PLACING OUT DEPARTMENT.

Number

Here again the number of children placed in family homes has been about the same as last year. At all times we have had an average number of ninety-six children in families.

Re-establishment aim is to re-establish the home as soon as possible. Forty-six children, during the past year, have been returned to parents or relatives. To strengthen the family ties so that the home becomes the central power is our aim.

Responsibilities of their children the stronger will become the home instinct. We are proud of the way the parents and relatives have shouldered their obligations during the year. They have paid fifty-eight per cent. of the entire cost of board and forty-seven per cent. of the cost of board and clothing.

The same painstaking care has been given by our Superfoster-parents; nor has the supervision been lax, as we have made six hundred and forty-nine visits to the children during the year. More medical work has been done. Thirty children have been treated at Memorial Hospital, and sixty-two by physicians. We feel that some good work has been done this year with a few of our older children, who are earning wages. By careful supervision they have become more or less settled in their habits. Not only have they acquired some skill in housework, cooking, sewing and farmwork, but they have become a part of the worthy element of the towns. With this have come higher wages and an increased bank account. An effort to hear from our previous charges is made once a year. Careful records are kept of every child.

Home Life The knowledge of a good home and how it is maintained is of great value to a child, even though he remain in one but a portion of a year. The careful training by the foster-parents, the love and interest they manifest in their charges, all tend to raise their standard of life, and they are more likely to be better citizens, and able to say with the poet:

"It matters little where I was born,
Whether my parents were rich or poor,
Whether they shrank from the cold world's scorn,
Or walked in the pride of wealth secure;
But whether I live an honest man
And hold my integrity firm in my clutch,
I tell you, brother, plain as I am,
It matters much!"

Respectfully submitted.

Helen A. Woods,

General Secretary.

# STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR.

# Bureau of Information.

# 1909-1910.

# DISPOSAL OF ALL APPLICATIONS.

Total number of applications received,	154
Number of children represented,	274
Number of children referred to the Placing-out Department,	61
Number of applications advised and guided,	55
Number of applications withdrawn,	14
Number of applications found work,	1
Number of applications investigated and refused,	5
Number of applications investigated only,	10
Number of applications taken under guardianship,	1
Number of applications pending,	4
Number of applications referred to:	
Associated Charities, Fitchburg,	3
Associated Charities, Worcester,	5
Boston Children's Aid Society,	2
Door of Hope, Worcester,	1
Marlboro Children's Home,	1
Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Childre	en, 3
Monson State Hospital,	1
Orphanage of Our Lady of Mercy, Worcester,	2
St. Anne's French-Canadian Orphanage,	1
State Minor Ward Department, Boston,	3
Supervisor of Attendance in the Public Schools, Worcester,	1
Temporary Home and Day Nursery, Worcester,	2
PLACING-OUT DEPARTMENT.	
In families, Oct. 1, 1909:	
Boarding, 6	7
Free of charge,	4
Free of charge, except clothing, 1	3
Earning wages,	2
Temporarily otherwise placed,	0 86
Received during the year,	61
Total of children in families at the opening of the year,	
plus admissions,	147

Discharged to parents or relatives,	46	
Discharged as adopted,	2	
Discharged to "Graduate List,"	1	
Discharged to State Minor Ward Department,	8	
Discharged to other Societies or Institutions,	3	60
In families, Dec. 1, 1910:		
Boarding,	62	
Free of charge,	5	
Free of charge, except clothing,	14	
Earning wages,	б	
Temporarily otherwise placed,	0	87
Total of discharges, plus children placed out at close	of	
year,		147
SUPERVISION		
Number of visits made on children during year,		649
New homes investigated,		86
MEDICAL ATTENDANCE		
Number of visits to physicians,		62
Number of children sent to hospital,		30
Number of visits to dentists,		36
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# REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

October 1, 1909 to December 15, 1910.

#### RECEIPTS.

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Oct. 1, 1909, Balance of Loan,	\$473.72	
Churches,	1990.51	
Income,	6713.92	
Board,	4890.16	
Donations,	1867.00	
Memorial Home for Blind,	234.05	
Rebate State tax,	51.62	
Legacies,	11400.00	
Sale of rights,	296.31	
Sale of Real Estate,	13000.00	
Subscription for deficit,	956.00	
Miscellaneous,	65.76	
		\$41,939.05
EXPENDITURES.		
Board,	\$8494.16	
Salaries and labor,	2984.85	
Clothing,	1665.32	
Heat and light,	241.71	
Travel,	244.10	
Stationery and postage,	144.80	
Printing and advertising,	114.53	
Telephone,	72.51	
Expense,	61.85	
Rent,	175.00	
Deficit, 1909,	792.29	
Payment of loan,	473.72	
Due expense account from subscription for deficit,	163.71	
Agent's commission,	130.00	
Miscellaneous,	49.96	
Permanent Fund,	26066.31	
Cash on hand December 15, 1910,	64.23	
		\$41,939.05

#### Respectfully submitted,

MARY E. MILLER, Treas.

I have examined the foregoing accounts with vouchers and find them correct.

A. B. Barton, Auditor.

# LEGACIES.

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Esther M. Day,	\$100.00	
James H. Heywood,	300.00	
Horace A. Young,	2000.00	
Eliza D. Dodge,	4000.00	
Joseph A. Knight,	4500.00	
Emmons S. Kenney,	500.00	
		\$11,400.00
DONATIONS TO PERMANENT	FUND.	
Barnard, Mr. and Mrs. George A.,	1000.00	
Gollberg, R. G.	500.00	

# CHURCH SUBSCRIPTIONS.

\$1500.00

All Saints',	\$187.23	
All Souls',	14.00	
Adam's Square Congregational,	5.00	
Bethany,	10.00	
First Baptist,	80.65	
Dewey Street Baptist, W. A.,	5.00	
Pleasant Street Baptist,	13.00	
South Baptist,	5.50	
Central,	205.45	
Friends',	50.00	
Grace,	20.00	
Hope,	15.00	
St. John's,	15.00	
St. Mark's,	50.00	
St. Matthews', —	34.00	
Old South,	95.41	
Plymouth,	71.46	
Piedmont,	162.50	
Pilgrim,	56.94	
Trinity,	57.65	
Tatnuck Congregational,	.57	
Unity,	282.41	
Union,	77.69	
First Unitarian,	235.30	
South Unitarian,	83.00	
First Universalist,	90.00	
First Church of Christ, Scientist,	62.75	
Church of Christ,	5.00	
		\$1,990.51

# GENERAL SUBSCRIPTIONS.

Allen, Miss Katharine,	\$10.00
Bullock, A. George,	20.00
Bullock, Mrs. A. George,	50.00
Briggs, Mrs. Abbie Fales,	10.00
Beaman, Mrs. William D.,	7.00
Crosby, William K.,	5.00
Coes, Mrs. Jennie L.,	5.00
Dodge, Thomas H.,	5.00
Dwinnell, Irving T.,	1.00
Dana, Frank,	5.00
Ely, Lyman A.,	5.00
Foye, Frank W.,	5.00
Fitch, Miss Sarah C.,	25.00
Gaskill, George A.	25.00
Gilman, Mrs. Warren R.,	4.00
Heywood, William,	1.00
Hutchins, Mrs. George F.,	5.00
Leighton, H. A.,	- 1.00
Livermore, Mrs. Persis W.,	5.00
Lorion, Henry L.,	2.00
M. L. B.,	10.00
Newell, Harry,	5.00
Newell, Mrs. Harry,	3.00
Randolph, Mrs. Helen B.,	5.00
Rice, William E.,	25.00
Searls, Miss F. A.,	1.00
Searls, Mrs. William P.,	5.00
Searls, Miss Florence,	1.00
Shan, Thomas A.,	10.00
Sturtevant, Charles A.,	2.00
Swift, Mrs. D. Wheeler,	25.00
Thayer, Mrs. Edward D.,	10.00
Webb, Mrs. George D.,	5.00
Whittall, Mr. and Mrs. Matthew J.,	50.00
Two children,	1.00
A friend,	5.00
A friend,	2.00
A friend,	5.00
A friend,	1.00

\$1,867 00

# SPECIAL SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR DEFICIT.

Adams Sq. Cong'l Church,	\$25.00
A friend,	25.00
A friend,	2.00
Amidon, Mrs. Fayette A. (collected by),	31.00
Bullock, A. George,	100.00
Barnard, Mrs. George A.,	50,00
Blake, George F.,	50.00
Bailey, Mrs. Lester V.,	25.00
Chapin, Arthur B.,	5.00
Cook, Oliver R.,	15.00
Davis, Edward L.,	100.00
Drury, Mrs. Frank A.,	5.00
Gage, Mrs. Homer,	20.00
Kinnicutt, Lincoln N.,	50.00
Knowles, Mrs. Hester A.,	100.00
Knowles, Lucius J.,	20.00
Logan, Mrs. James (collected by),	73.00
McCullagh, Dr. Archibald,	10.00
Norcross, Mrs. James A.,	25.00
Wetherell, Hester N. (Estate),	100.00
Washburn, Hon. Charles G.,	100.00
Woodward, Dr. Lemuel F.	25.00

**\$**956.00

# GIVERS AND GIFTS.

All Saints' Parish, 120 articles of clothing.

Atherton, Mrs. Alfred, 4 articles of clothing.

Bachelor, Mr. Charles O., 10 articles of clothing.

Bancroft School, 36 articles of clothing, fruit.

Barnard, Mrs. George A., 13 articles of clothing.

Barnard, Mrs. Walter B., 20 articles of clothing.

Bigelow, Mrs. Fannie D., 20 articles of clothing.

Blodget, Mrs. Walter H., 21 articles of clothing.

Dawrens Mrs. Frad I 20 articles of elething

Bowers, Mrs. Fred L., 20 articles of clothing.

Boynton, Mrs. Persis G., 4 articles of clothing, book.

Brierly, Miss Etta, 2 articles of clothing.

Brierly, Mrs. John, 40 articles of clothing.

Carleton, Mrs. Edward C., 5 articles of clothing.

Cheever, Miss Helen, 10 articles of clothing.

Colton, Miss Mary R., 32 articles of clothing.

Comins, Mr. Irving E., over 100 yards of cloth.

Comins, Miss Ella A., 9 articles of clothing.

Comins, Miss Mary E., 3 articles of clothing.

Cook, Mrs. Oliver R., 64 articles of clothing.

Cutler, Master Russell, 6 Christmas gifts.

Dadmun and Heywood, shoes.

Davis, Mrs. William, 4 articles of clothing.

Denholm, Mrs. William J., 19 articles of clothing, 4 dolls, toys.

First Church of Christ, 140 articles of clothing.

Fogg, Miss Anna L., 1 article of clothing.

Fuller, Mrs. Frank E., 6 articles of clothing, 5 toys.

Garst, Mrs. Julius, 35 articles of clothing.

Gaylord, Miss Ruth, 67 articles of clothing.

Goodwin, Mrs. Edward R., 12 articles of clothing.

Gray, Mrs. Arthur E., 4 articles of clothing.

Greenwood, Miss Helen E., 1 article of clothing.

Gross, Mrs. Henry J., 104 articles of clothing, Christmas gifts.

Hammond, Mrs. Fred, 23 articles of clothing.

Harrington, Mrs. William, 22 articles of clothing.

Hastings, Mrs. John E., 17 articles of clothing.

Hathorne, Mrs. Dora E., 4 articles of clothing.

Home Social Club, Christmas toys.

Huyck, Mrs. Charles J., 20 articles of clothing.

Jencks, Mrs. Lawrence B., 34 articles of clothing.

Jones, Mrs. Horace M., 5 articles of clothing.

Junior Christain Endeavor Society, of 1st Baptist Church of Manchaug, Christmas toys.

Kilton, Mrs. Winfield S., 16 articles of clothing.

Knowles, Mrs. Elisha S., 16 articles of clothing.

Kiippers, Mr. John L., 2 articles of clothing.

Lathrop, Mrs. Fred D., 1 article of clothing.

Lewis, Mrs. Alice, 2 articles of clothing.

Lorion, Mr. Henry L., 70 articles of clothing.

Lowell, Mrs. Sadie, 19 articles of clothing.

Macduff, Mrs. Allan, 2 articles of clothing.

Marsh, Mrs. Harry W., 2 articles of clothing.

Marsh, Miss Ruth, 9 toys.

Messinger, Mrs. Frank L., 30 articles of clothing.

Minor, Mrs. Frederick A., 10 articles of clothing.

Morgan, Mrs. Charles F., 67 articles of clothing, 33 Christmas gifts.

Morgan, Mrs. Paul B., 97 articles of clothing.

Morley, Mrs. Wallace T., 5 articles of clothing, toys.

Morris, Master Roger, 1 toy.

Morse, Miss Maria B., 2 articles of clothing.

Nichols, Mrs. Horace J., 2 articles of clothing.

Norcross, Mrs. James A., 48 articles of clothing, 3 bolts outing flannel, 4 dozen handkerchiefs, 21 neckties, 3 rolls hair ribbon, 3 hockey sticks, doll.

Norcross, Mrs. William E. 1 article of clothing.

Osborne, Miss Ellen, 9 articles of clothing.

Osterberg, Miss Mary, 1 article of clothing.

Pierce, Mrs. Elmer E., 13 articles of clothing.

Pilgrim Church, Woman's Association, 37 articles of clothing.

Rice, Mrs. Charles M., 15 articles of clothing.

Robson, Mrs. Frank H., 115 articles of clothing.

Sanford, Miss Martha L., 1 article of clothing.

Searles, Mrs. Charles E., 4 articles of clothing.

Searls, Mrs. William P., 8 articles of clothing.

Sibley, Mrs. Harry H., 3 articles of clothing.

Smith, Mrs. George A., 16 articles of clothing.

Southgate, Mrs. Louis W., 58 articles of clothing.

Stahl, Mrs. Charles H., 10 articles of clothing.

Stimson, Mrs. Irvin, 3 articles of clothing.

Sumner, Mrs. Edwin A., 13 articles of clothing.

Talamo, Mrs. Jacob M., cloth.

Thayer, Mrs. Corwin M., 12 articles of clothing.

Thompson, Mrs. John R., 10 articles of clothing.

Towle, Mrs. Frank B., 20 articles of clothing.

Wall, Mrs. James, 1 article of clothing.

Ward, Mrs. Mabel, 1 article of clothing.

Whitaker, Mrs. Clarence W., 36 articles of clothing.

Whiting, Miss Emma, 11 articles of clothing.

Willis, Mrs. John H., 5 articles of clothing.

Wood, Miss Martha C., 1 book.

Woodward, Mrs. William, 5 articles of clothing.

## CONTRIBUTORS TO THE PERMANENT FUND.

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- 1857. Frederick W. Gale Mrs. Mary Goss
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  Mrs. Nancy Shaw
  Mrs. Harriet W. Damon
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# FORM OF BEQUEST.

I hereby give and bequeath to the Worcester Children's Friend Society, incorporated in 1849, the sum of \$ to be applied to the uses of said corporation, and hereby authorize my Executor to pay the same to the person who shall be acting as Treasurer of said Society.

The Society is largely dependent upon voluntary contributions. Subscriptions may be sent to the Worcester Chilren's Friend Society.

# CONSTITUTION.

- Art. 1. This Society shall be known by the name of the Worcester Children's Friend Society.
- Art. 2. The object of the Society shall be to interest itself in behalf of orphans and needy children.
- Art. 3. Any person contributing two dollars annually shall be a member of the Society. The payment of twenty-five dollars at one time shall constitute a life membership.
- Art. 4. There shall be a Board of Directors consisting of twenty or more women and ten or more men. They shall be elected at the annual meeting and serve for a year, or until their successors are duly elected. This Board shall have the management and control of all the affairs and property of the Society; shall elect the officers and committees, hereinafter provided for, from among their own number and shall fill vacancies in their own number and in the offices and committees; shall have power to make contracts binding on the Society, to employ such agents or servants as they deem expedient and fix their compensation, to alter and amend these by-laws as hereinafter provided, and from time to time to make such regulations for the carrying out of the purposes of the Society as they think proper.
- Art. 5. The officers shall be a President, a Vice-president, a Treasurer, an Assistant Treasurer, a Secretary and a Clerk, and the following standing committees: Finance, consisting of not less than three members, of which the Treasurer shall be one; Ways and Means, consisting of not less than five members, of which the Assistant Treasurer shall be one; Placing-out, consisting of not less than five members; Purchasing, consisting of not less than three members; Nomination, consisting of not less than three members; and Publication, consisting of not less than three members; and Publication, consisting of not less than three members; and Publication, consisting of not less than three members; and Publication, consisting of not less than three members; and Publication, consisting of not less than three members; and Publication, consisting of not less than three members; and Publication, consisting of not less than three members; and Publication, consisting of not less than three members; and Publication, consisting of not less than three members; and Publication, consisting of not less than three members; and Publication, consisting of not less than three members; and Publication, consisting of not less than three members; and Publication, consisting of not less than three members; and Publication, consisting of not less than three members; and Publication, consisting of not less than three members; and Publication, consisting of not less than three members and Publication, consisting of not less than three members and Publication, consisting of not less than three members and Publication, consisting of not less than three members and publication and publication are the publication and publication and publication are the publication are the publication and publication are the publication are the publication and publication are the publication are the publication are the p

sisting of not less than three members, of which the Secretary shall be one. There shall also be an Executive Committee, consisting of not less than five or more than nine members, of which the President, Vice-president, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, and the Chairman of the Placing-out Committee shall be members ex-officio.

The officers and committees shall be elected annually by the Board of Directors at the annual meeting, and shall hold office until their successors are duly elected and qualified.

- Art. 6. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Board and of the Executive Committee, and in her absence the Vice-president shall preside; if both are absent a presiding officer shall be chosen from among those present.
- Art. 7. The Treasurer shall have the custody of all moneys and securities of the Society; shall pay all bills approved by the Chairman of the committee in whose department the bills were contracted; shall with the approval of the Finance Committee invest, change and reinvest the moneys and securities of the Society, and shall annually present an account of the receipts, expenditures and property of the Society, which account shall bear the certificate of an Auditor appointed for the purpose by the Board of Directors.

The Assistant Treasurer shall have charge of the collections and subscriptions, keeping a list of the subscribers and donors to the Society, and shall pay the sums collected to the Treasurer.

Art. 8. The Secretary shall present an annual report of the work for the year, give notices to the Directors in writing of all meetings three days at least before the date of such meetings, and publish a notice of the annual meeting three days at least before the date of the meeting, and attend to a correspondence.

The Clerk shall attend all the meetings of the Society and shall keep full and accurate records of the proceedings.

Art. 9. The Executive Committee shall have immediate charge of all affairs of the Society, shall have and may exer-

cise the full authority of the Board of Directors as to all matters, subject, however, to any special directions of the Board. The committee shall choose a clerk from its own number, who shall keep a record of its proceedings, and the Committee shall report its doings to the regular meetings of the Board. Meetings of the Committee shall be held at the call of either the President or the Vice-president, and four members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

- Art. 10. The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors for the transaction of business shall be held at the offices of the Society, or at some other convenient place, on the last Friday of every month. Special meetings may be called by either the President or the Vice-president. Nine members shall constitute a quorum at any meeting. All meetings shall be opened with reading of the Scriptures.
- Art. 11. The annual meeting shall be held on the last Friday of December at the offices of the Society or at some other convenient place. At the meeting the annual reports shall be read, the Board of Directors elected, and such other business transacted as may properly come before the meeting.
- Art. 12. A person who shall have been for years an efficient member of the Board of Directors and who, for various reasons, is prevented from regular attendance at the meetings, may be made an honorary member by the unanimous vote of the said Board.
- Art. 13. The Constitution may be amended at any regular meeting of the Board by vote of two thirds of the members present, provided notice of such proposed amendment has been given at a previous meeting.







